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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PFOR, NL, GE
SUBJ: GDR FONMIN VISITS THE NETHERLANDS

1. THE THREE DAY OFFICIAL VISIT OF GDR FOREIGN MINISTER
OSKAR FISCHER PRODUCED NO SUBSTANTIVE AGREEMENTS AND WAS
DESCRIBED BY MFA OFFICIALS AS SIMPLY AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS.
SEVERAL EAST-WEST ISSUES WERE RAISED BY THE DUTCH AND DUCKED
BY FISCHER, INCLUDING CHARTER 77, BERLIN AND MBFR. THE
DUTCH RECEIVED NO CONCESSION ON THE CLAIMS ISSUE, SINCE
FISCHER STUCK TO THE GDR POSITION WHICH CONSIDERS ALL CLAIMS
TO BE REPARATIONS AND THUS PAYABLE ONLY TO THE EASTERN BLOCK
UNDER THE POTSDAM AGREEMENTS.

2. FISCHER STRESSED BILATERAL ISSUES, CALLING FOR
MORE CONTACT BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES
AND FOR CLOSER COOPERATION ON CULTURAL EXCHANGE,
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TRANSPORTATION, AND ESPECIALLY TRADE AND COMMERCIAL
MATTERS. PURPOSE OF TRIP IN MFA VIEW IS TO POLISH
GDR'S IMAGE BY CULTIVATING CLOSER BILATERAL TIES
WITH WESTERN NATIONS. THE DUTCH REACTION TO FISCHER'S
OVERTURES WAS COOL, BUT FONMIN VAN DER STOEL ACCEPTED
AN INVITATION TO VISIT BERLIN AT SOME FUTURE TIME.
THIS WOULD BE THE FIRST SUCH VISIT BY A DUTCH FOREIGN

MINISTER JUST AS FISCHERS TRIP MARKED THE FIRST VISIT
BY A GDR FONMIN TO THE HAGUE.

3. FISCHERS MODE OF TRASNPORT RAISED SOME EYEBROWS
HERE. TRAVELING IN HIS PRIVATE RAILROAD CAR, HE DE-
BARKED, FOR REASONS UNCLEAR, AT THE REMOTE HOEK VAN
HOLLAND. A HARRIED BAN DER STOEL WAS FORCED TO MAKE
THE EXTRA TRIP ON A DAY WHEN HE ALSO HAD TO RUSH TO
BRUSSELS FOR LATE AFTERNOON MEETING WITH VICE-PRESIDENT
MONDALE, AND THEN BACK TO THE HAGUE TO HOST A DINNER
FOR FISCHER.
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